

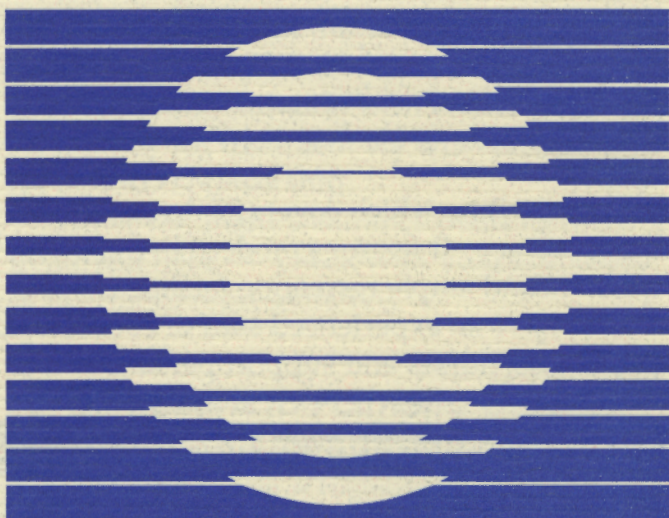
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Palmetto
Center

**For men and women
with addiction problems**



**Operated by
The South Carolina Vocational
Rehabilitation Department**



Palmetto Center: a state service

Palmetto Center, a rehabilitation facility of the South Carolina Vocational Rehabilitation Department, opened in 1962 as the state's first addiction treatment center of its type.

Palmetto Center is neither a hospital nor a detoxification center. We specialize in the treatment of men and women who have one or more addiction problems — men and women whose jobs are on the line or whose jobs have been lost.

Our facility, which covers 25 acres, offers quiet privacy. It features modern living quarters and ample recreation facilities.

We have an experienced staff of counselors, evaluators, nurses and support persons .

Our philosophy of treatment

First, we can provide only part of the total treatment needed. Treatment for addiction takes years — you must rethink your entire lifestyle.

We accept only voluntary admissions. No one can make you come here.

Addiction is a problem much deeper than a drinking or other drug habit. It has to do with what you think of yourself and how you relate to other people and situations in life — when sober, as well as when intoxicated.

If your "straight" life were reasonably satisfying and hurt-free, you would have no need to use chemicals addictively.

And, simply stopping the substance abuse isn't enough. Without changing the way you think and act, you will return to drugs or another form of destructive living.

We will help you to know yourself better and to be more honest with yourself.

We work with you when you are drug-free and help you make better choices for yourself. We teach you to become responsible for your own life and what happens to you.

Therapy is hard work. You have to want something better for yourself or therapy does no good. There are no quick cures.



Our program

Our basic program lasts four weeks, although we recommend up to four additional weeks for some persons.

Since we believe in the value of work in your life, we plan work activities into your schedule here. You assume certain maintenance responsibilities both as an individual and as a member of a group.

You have time to think alone, to read, and to practice being yourself in the presence of others trying to do the same thing.

We eat together and find ways to have fun together without using alcohol or drugs.



And, we always have a nurse available. Our nurses and physicians carefully monitor your medical needs. We allow essential life-support medications, but do not permit mood-altering medications such as tranquilizers, anti-depressants or sedatives.

Our invitation to family members

Family members are important to you, so we encourage you to bring them with you on admission day.

They can get involved with your treatment. The staff at the center will teach family members how *they* can benefit by participating in the treatment program to meet their own needs.

Your family needs help, too!

After discharge

Treatment here marks only the beginning of your recovery process.

After you complete your treatment, the Vocational Rehabilitation Department counselor who arranged your admission will help you understand and face what lies ahead. You should contact your counselor as soon as you return home.



Admissions

Vocational Rehabilitation Department staff members around the state arrange all admissions. The center does not directly admit "walk-ins."

A counselor in your nearest SCVRD office (listed on the back of this brochure) will lead you through the admission process and discuss your economic situation with you. If you cannot pay for treatment we will consider you for SCVRD sponsorship.

However, many insurance plans now cover treatment here — check with your employer or insurance representative.

Directions to Palmetto Center:

Palmetto Center is adjacent to the Ramada Inn near the intersection of Highway 52 and Interstate 95 in Florence.

Post Office Box 5357
Florence, SC 29502
Telephone: (803) 662-9378

The South Carolina Vocational Rehabilitation Department does not discriminate in the delivery of services or in employment.

The South Carolina Vocational Rehabilitation Department offers equal opportunity in its employment and provision of services without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, or mental or physical disability in keeping with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

South Carolina Vocational Rehabilitation Department's Area Offices

Apply here for admission to Palmetto Center.

Aiken:

855 York Street, N.E.
(803) 648-0422

Anderson:

3001 Mall Road
(803) 224-6391

Beaufort:

Highway #170
(803) 522-1010

Camden:

15 Battleship Road Ext.
(803) 432-1068

Charleston:

4360 Dorchester Road
(803) 744-5670

Columbia:

1330 Boston Avenue
West Columbia
(803) 822-5319

Conway:

3009 4th Avenue
(803) 248-2235

Florence:

W. Darlington Street at
Jody
(803) 662-8114

Greenville:

105 Parkins Mill Road
(803) 297-3066

Greenwood:

2345 Laurens Hwy.
(803) 229-5827

Lancaster:

Roddey Drive
(803) 285-6909

Laurens:

Laurens-Clinton Hwy. #76
Clinton
(803) 833-4121

Marlboro:

Route 4, Box 66
Bennettsville
(803) 479-8318

Oconee-Pickens:

2015 Wells Highway
Seneca
(803) 882-6669

Orangeburg:

780 Joe S. Jeffords Hwy.,
S.E.
(803) 534-4939

Rock Hill:

1020 Heckle Boulevard
(803) 327-7106

Spartanburg:

353 South Church Street
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1760 North Main Street
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